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Commission Docket Created In Connection With OET Workshop on Cognitive Radio Technologies

ET Docket No. 03-108

On April 25, 2003, the Office of Engineering and Technology, announced that it will host a public workshop on Cognitive Radio Technologies on May 19, 2003, in the Commission Meeting Room, in preparation for initiating a rulemaking proceeding. Cognitive radio technologies can enable a radio device and its antenna to adapt its spectrum use in response to its operating environment. As set out in the Spectrum Policy Task Force Report, they constitute one set of leading edge technologies that promise more efficient use of spectrum.

The goals of the workshop are: (1) to inform Commission staff and interested parties, including various spectrum users, about the potential capabilities and state of development of various cognitive radio technologies, in the short and long term, and (2) to identify potential changes to the Commission's technical rules, policies, procedures, or practices that could help facilitate the economic development of such technologies.

We request that interested parties wishing to submit comments on these topics at this point in the process do so in newly created ET Docket No. 03-108. Written comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) as an electronic file via the Internet at http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and ET Docket No. 03-108. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To obtain filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message: "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Additional information on ECFS is available at http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html.

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